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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Hiroshi TSUDA

OPTICAL FIBER STRAIN SENSOR DEVICE AND STRAIN DETECTION

METHOD

Assignee:

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED INDUSTRIAL

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Our Ref. Q77860

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 27 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 10 sheets of drawings, a copy of an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	9 - 20	=	x	\$18.00	=	\$.00
Independent claims	4 - 3	=	1 x	\$86.00	= _	\$86.00
Base Fee			·			\$770.00.
TOTAL FILING FEE						\$856.00
Recordation of Assignment						\$40.00
TOTAL FEE						\$896.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$856.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

Country

Application No

Filing Date

JAPAN

2002-340197

November 25, 2002

The priority document(s) are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC Attorneys for Applicant

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